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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

AT&T upped my bill quietly in \$5 increments over about a year without explanation other than FYI were doing this. I wasnt on any special plan. It wasnt, say, how Comcast fees head north after your 1 or 2 year trial is up. In addition to now paying \$20/mo more, an unexpected \$240 a year, the AT&T service is throttled and/or crashing. Even so, theyd rather spend money on marketing and lawyers to lobby for them, rather than focus their resources and fix what they have. The Goliaths (Comcast, AT&T, Charter, etc) *absolutely* need competition, so that they can innovate and strive to do better. What they dont need is the ability to block smaller companies and/or competition. They already have a near-monopoly to hold customers ransom to both higher costs and declining service. In some regions, there are limited options or none at all, and thats dangerous. Finally, I realize costs go up over time, but the decline in coverage and service whilst focusing their energy on taking out the competition versus upping their game is ridiculous, sad and frustrating.

Thank you greatly if someone read this.

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